CERTIFICATION RENEWAL-HOW DOES IT WORK?

Training & Certification Program (TCP)

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WHAT IS CERTIFICATION RENEWAL?

To keep your certification active, it is your responsibility to remain in compliance with the required continuing education hours (CEH).

- Certification Year Definition: 12 months from the date your certification was issued.
- 80 CEH credits within 5 years, no more than 24 CEH credits recommended per certification year.
- All CEH credits must pertain to contract/procurement related topics.
- Where you can find <u>Upcoming External Opportunities</u> to obtain CEH.

RENEWAL FEES

- One certification = \$50
- Dual certification = \$75

Please Note: Do not send payment until invoice is received.

SUBMITTING YOUR RENEWAL DOCUMENT

- Your Excel Spreadsheet is your "Official" renewal document. It must be emailed as a file (not PDF) no earlier than <u>60</u> days and no later than <u>30</u> days prior to your certification expiration date.
- Email to: <u>cert.renewal@cpa.texas.gov</u>

WHAT IS A "DUAL" CERTIFICATION? (CTP & CTCM OR CTPM & CTCM)

- Each certification will keep the original issued certification # and issued date, but will now have the same expiration date. If you plan on renewing under a dual certification, the 80 hour CEH requirement will renew both certifications.
- Keep in mind that you cannot use the core hours acquired from attending the required procurement and/or contract management courses to use as CEH towards renewal of that certification.

HOW DO I DOCUMENT MY CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS (CEH)?

- All CEH information, including uploading any verification documents, must be entered in your <u>State Certification Renewal</u> spreadsheet.
- Instructions on how to insert documents will be found in column E (comments) within the spreadsheet.

MISSING CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTATION?

The following will suffice as verifying documentation and must contain your name, title and class date, provider of training, # of CEH's:

- Memo on agency letter-head from your manager/director
- Email from your manager/director
- Class agenda, course description, table of contents or sign in sheet with your manager/director's signature
- Training class/college transcript with your manager/director's signature

NEED YOUR TCP CLASS HISTORY?

- 1. Access the <u>registration site</u>
- Scroll to the bottom of the table and enter your work email in the field titled "Work Email Address"
- 3. You can print this information like any other document. The class history summary will suffice for your CEH documentation.

Please Note: If you have changed email addresses or have used multiple email addresses to register for courses you will need to enter each one in order to get a complete "Class History Summary."

NEED TO UPDATE YOUR TRAINING PROFILE?

- 1. Access the registration site
- Go to the bottom of the table of classes listed
- 3. Click on RETURNING Student Registration
- Enter the email address which was used to register for your last class.
- 5. At the top of the page, click on [Edit My User Information]
- Make your changes and click on "Update Information"

If you have any changes, you must also fill out the <u>Certification</u> <u>Information Change Form</u>.

DID YOU KNOW?

- One (1) hour of training equals one (1) CEH
- Staff meetings do not count as CEH's. If a training class/presentation will be conducted in conjunction with a staff meeting, a certificate will be required or verifying documentation excluding the meeting as part of CEH.
- All <u>certified individual</u> certificate information can be found on our site.

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